CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
BILL NO. 2020
INTRODUCED BY:
Mayor Alan Webber
AN ORDINANCE
CREATING A NEW SECTION 20-7 SFCC 1987 TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN POLICE
ACTIVITIES INCLUDING NO-KNOCK WARRANTS, AND REQUIRING THE USE OF
BODY-WORN CAMERAS DURING THE EXECUTION OF ANY SEARCH WARRANT.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE:
Section 1. A new Section 20-7 of SFCC 1987 is hereby ordained to read:
20-7 PROHIBITED POLICE ACTIVITIES.
20-7.1 Short title; purpose.
A. This section as the Prohibited Police Activities Ordinance.
B. The purpose of this Section is to protect the safety of the residents of the city of
Santa Fe by establishing specific restrictions and limitations on the execution of search warrants
by the Santa Fe police department.
20-7.2 Definitions.
Body-worn camera means an electronic video and audio recording device that is placed
on the front of a law enforcement officer's uniform and used to record interactions between law
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1	enforcement officers and members of the public.
2	No-knock warrant means any search warrant that does not require those executing the
3	warrant to knock and announce themselves and their purpose at the premises.
4	20-7.3 Use of no-knock warrants prohibited.
5	No member of the Santa Fe police department or any other authorized public safety
6	official shall seek, execute, or participate in the execution of a no-knock warrant at any location
7	within the municipal boundaries of the city of Santa Fe.
8	20-7.4 Use of body-worn cameras.
9	A. All law enforcement officers participating in the execution of a search warrant
10	shall be equipped with an operating body-worn camera.
11	B. Prior to the execution of any search warrant, each law enforcement officer
12	present at the premises to be searched must activate their body-worn camera recording equipment
13	and may not deactivate the equipment until the completion of the execution of the warrant.
14	C. All data recorded by the body-worn cameras must be retained for five (5) years
15	following the execution of the search warrant. The recorded data shall be stored in a separate
16	electronic file category designated for this purpose.
17	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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25	Legislation/2020/Bills/Prohibited Police Activities

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